

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
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For: OPTICAL ARTICLE COVERED WITH A  
VISIBLE-ABSORBING, MULTI-LAYER  
ANTI-REFLECTIVE COATING, AND  
PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

Group Art Unit: Unknown

Examiner: Unknown

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this Preliminary Amendment in the above-referenced case. Consideration of this application in view of the amendments made herein is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.